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## Abstract

- 1. Method for operating a drive train of a motor vehicle.
- 2.1. A torque which is output by a drive machine may be limited by a control device in order to protect a transmission. The object of the invention is to propose a method by means of which the transmission is protected against damage by excessively high temperatures.
- 2.2. The control device determines a maximum acceptable power  $(P_{\text{max}})$  from a characteristic curve (32) as a function of temperature information of the transmission. Using a rotational speed of the drive machine the control device determines from said maximum acceptable power  $(P_{\text{max}})$  a maximum acceptable torque  $(M_{\text{max}})$  to which the torque which is output by the drive machine is limited.
- 2.3. For use in a motor vehicle.
- 3. Fig. 2